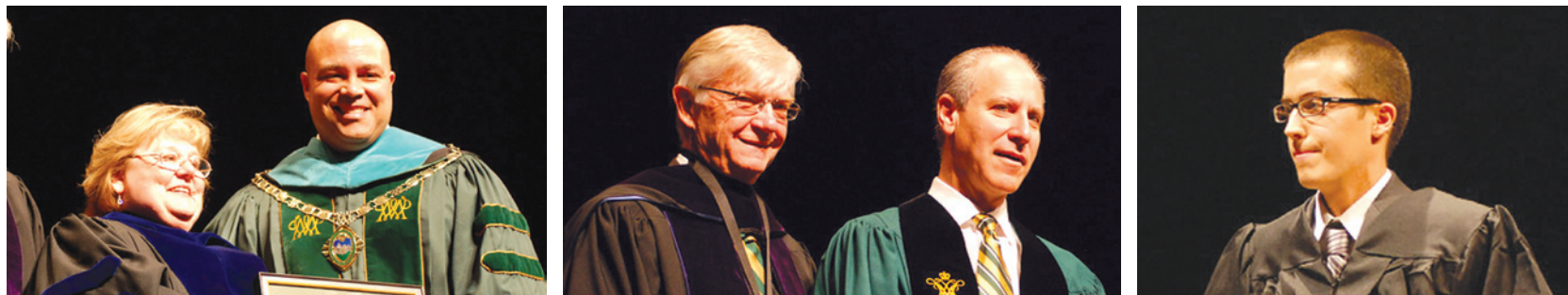


316TH ANNUAL CHARTER DAY



Webb honors College's legacy

By JORDAN SLICK
The Flat Hat

U.S. Sen. Jim Webb (D-Va.) addressed the College of William and Mary community Saturday at the Charter Day ceremony. His speech emphasized not only the College's rich history, but also its continued importance in the nation, especially in light of the current economic downturn.

"As someone who has spent much of my career as a writer and writing about and promoting the study of American history, I applaud you for staying so closely connected to the past," Webb said at the annual ceremony in Phi Beta Kappa Hall. "The early commitment to education by the colonists who founded this institution has been furthered, in the grandest tradition of true intellectual and philosophical growth, at a pace that has kept it at the very forefront of the evolution of our country itself."

In addition to his praise of the College, Webb emphasized the gravity of the current economic climate, citing the expanding income gap as the root of the problem and its reversal as paramount to eventual financial stability.

"The middle class of this country, our historic backbone, our best hope for a strong future, has been steadily losing its place at the table," Webb said.

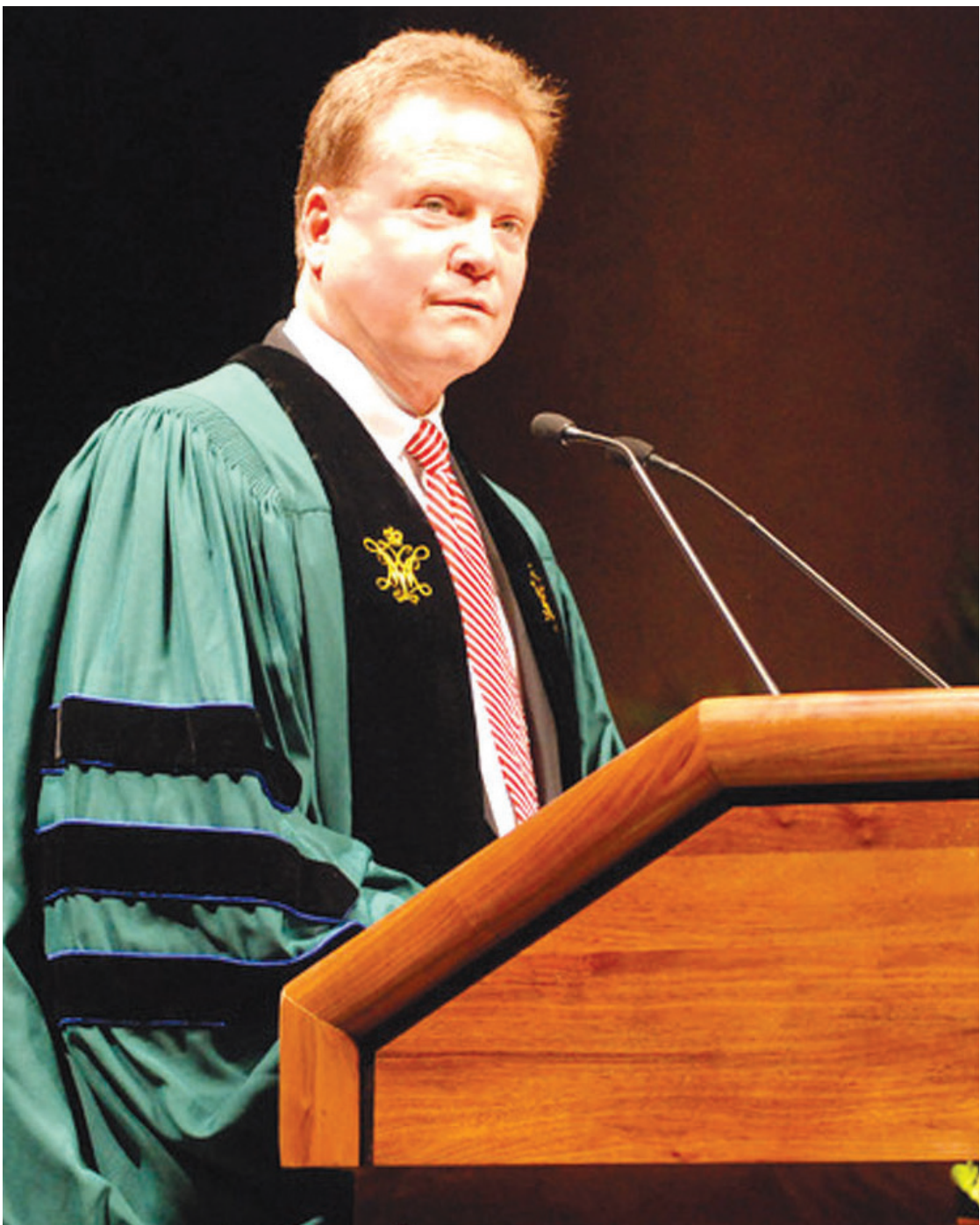
The senior senator from Virginia later stressed the role the College would play in ending this crisis.

"As a public institution, formed in order to benefit what the British crown in your charter called its 'well-beloved and trusty subjects,' William and Mary is certainly well-positioned to play a leading role in the important work of restoring economic fairness and opportunity in our country," he said.

Webb has served in the Senate since 2007, during which time he most notably spearheaded the Post 9/11 G.I. Bill, greatly expanding the benefits granted to those in the armed services within the original G.I. Bill, instituted in 1944.

At the ceremony, Webb was awarded an

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[TOP: FROM LEFT TO RIGHT] French professor Katherine Kulick, who received the Thomas Jefferson award, is pictured with BOV Rector Michael Powell. College President Taylor Reveley is pictured with Muscarelle Museum founder Gene Lowry. Devin Oller '09 received the James Monroe Prize in Civic Leadership. [ABOVE] Sen. Jim Webb addresses the audience as the keynote speaker at the Charter Day ceremonies.

THE THREE-PERSON RULE

Students chosen for task force

Focus group also made up of city residents

By IAN BRICKEY
Flat Hat Staff Writer

Williamsburg Mayor Jeanne Zeidler appointed members of a focus group that will be tasked with considering possible changes to the controversial three-person rule Friday.

Currently, the city prohibits more than three unrelated people from living together in a Williamsburg residence.

In addition to several city residents and officials, Zeidler appointed College of William and Mary students Nick Fitzgerald '09 and David Witkowski '11 to the group. Fitzgerald, the editor-in-chief of the online edition of the Virginia Informer, a conservative campus newspaper, also serves on the Student Assembly Executive Appropriations Committee. Witkowski is the SA Secretary of Public Affairs. The appointment of an additional student is pending.

"I selected people with suggestions from others," Zeidler said. "I wanted to keep it a relatively small group so people could have their voices heard, [and] I wanted to have students represented by more than one student."

Zeidler chose Fitzgerald and Witkowski via recommendation of SA President Valerie Hopkins '09.

"I think the mayor intended for it to have a broad representation of neighborhoods and positions on the city ordinance," Hopkins said. "She asked me for several student recommendations, however, and for the most part, trusted my opinion."

The 12-member panel will investigate residents' concerns regarding students living off-campus, student objections to the three-person rule, and will explore possible revisions of the city's housing statutes.

The panel's focus will be the future of zoning and housing in Williamsburg.

"Clearly the three-person rule is the biggest issue," Fitzgerald said. "But hopefully we can find a compromise and some middle ground and reach an equitable solution for all parties."

According to Witkowski, the community dialogue could bring progress to an issue that has divided residents and students in Williamsburg for years.

"The goal is to discuss issues [including] occupancy

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College utilizes SAT reporting service

By ADAM LERNER
Flat Hat Staff Writer

The College of William and Mary will accept Score Choice, the new score-reporting service offered by CollegeBoard, which will allow students to send colleges only their best cumulative SAT examination score.

While Score Choice, according to CollegeBoard's website, is "designed to reduce student stress and improve the test-day experience," some top universities have already said that they will reject the option. Admissions officials from universities such as Yale University, Cornell University and the University of Pennsylvania say that Score Choice may have negative effects including encouraging students to take the test more times than necessary.

"The fear, of course, is that once you take away the sense that how many times you've taken it is seen, you're going to contribute to the unbridled frenzy of folks that think already that they should take the test three or more

times, which I think is excessive," Dean of Admission Henry Broadbuss said.

Even though Score Choice itself is free, some officials fear it will grant an unfair advantage to wealthier students who can afford to take the test multiple times.

Other officials, including Broadbuss, think Score Choice solves a nonexistent problem, since their universities already combine the top section scores for a student across different test-dates.

"We have always been looking at the highest possible composite score. We're comfortable combining critical reading from one date and math from another date," Broadbuss said. "We were never averaging, we were never holding against a student the fact that he or she took the test on multiple occasions, or that one seemed significantly lower of a score than others. So creating a

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O'Connor teaches politics to activists

By MEGAN KEELING
Flat Hat Staff Writer

Chancellor of the College of William and Mary Sandra Day O'Connor spoke at the Alumni House Sunday morning to a group of students and activists from across the state of Virginia.

O'Connor took questions from students about the best ways to effect political

change on campus and in the community.

The event was sponsored by Virginia 21, a coalition of over 45,000 members with 45 chapters at colleges and universities across the state. Virginia 21 advocates the issues that affect college voters in Virginia, such as the price of tuition and textbooks.

The former Supreme Court justice first addressed the importance of bipartisan-ship and persistence in taking political

action, assuring the audience that "it is possible to get people of different views together to solve the issues."

O'Connor then asked the students about issues currently confronting the College.

Due to recent concerns, the first question addressed the housing restrictions in campus communities, particularly the three-person law in Williamsburg, which limits the number of unrelated people who can live in one house.

O'Connor advised students to use strength in numbers to back a compromise with city governments.

"You have the clout," she said. "If you come up with some kind of solution, you might be heard."

She also asked whether or not the College has ever supported a student-friendly candidate to run for city government, and some of the crowd brought up the Matt Beato campaign from the spring of last year.

"He was a student? Uh-uh," O'Connor said, wagging her finger at the audience. "You need to get someone, maybe a friendly aunt or uncle [to run]," she said, noting the importance of having a candidate who could relate to a broader demographic of



CATLIN FAIRCHILD — THE FLAT HAT

O'Connor spoke to students and activists about taking political action on a local level.

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The photo in the Feb. 6 issue of “That Guy - David Gordon” was incorrectly attributed to Caitlin Fairchild. The photo was actually taken by Gregory Marinelli.

The Flat Hat wishes to correct any facts printed incorrectly. Corrections may be submitted by e-mail to the section editor in which the incorrect information was printed. Requests for corrections will be accepted at any time.

Weather

Tuesday



High 73°
Low 53°

Wednesday



High 75°
Low 52°

Thursday



High 63°
Low 40°

Source: www.weather.com

News in brief

Reves Center holds speaker series

The College of William and Mary’s Reves Center for International Studies will host a speaker series entitled, “The World in America.”

The series will explore how the world has influenced America and American identity. It will feature scholars and filmmakers speaking on a range of topics including the current global economic crisis, immigration, race and identity.

The series begins Feb. 17. All lectures are free and open to the public. For information on the series and speakers, please see the Reves Center’s website, wm.edu/revescenter/campus/World_in_America.php.

General Assembly considers smoking restrictions

The House of Delegates voted 61-3 yesterday to tentatively approve an amended version of a bill calling for statewide restrictions on smoking in restaurants, according to the Richmond-Times Dispatch. The Senate version of the bill was received yesterday evening and will be voted on again today.

The bipartisan ban, a compromise between Gov. Timothy M. Kaine and Speaker of the House William J. Howell, would make exceptions for private clubs and restaurants with a designated smoking room that is physically separated and independently ventilated from non-smoking dining areas. It would also exclude any permanent outdoor patio area of a restaurant or any portion of a restaurant used just for private functions.

Education department fills higher ed post

The U.S. Department of Education has selected a longtime department analyst to fill one of two key posts relating to higher education, according to the Chronicle of Higher Education.

Daniel T. Madzelan, who has been with the department since 1978, has been named acting assistant secretary for postsecondary education. He will be in charge of administering most of the agency’s programs for colleges and students.

Madzelan’s most recent job was to develop the department’s annual budget request for student financial aid and to direct major policy studies in that area.

— by Bertel King, Jr.

By the Numbers

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The number of times Stevie Wonder has performed at the Grammy Awards. He holds the record for most performances at a Grammy Ceremony. This year, Wonder performed a duet with the Jonas Brothers, according to the New York Times.

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The percent increase in size of the Grammy Award statue in 1991.

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The number of Grammy Awards held by Alison Krauss, who holds the record for female artists. Krauss also won the most awards this year, sharing five Grammy Awards with Robert Plant.

— by Ameya Jammi

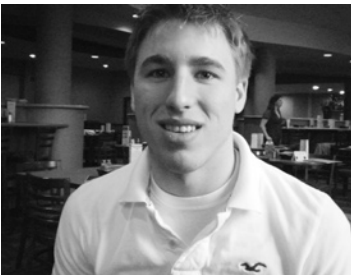
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How do you feel about Juicy Campus shutting down?



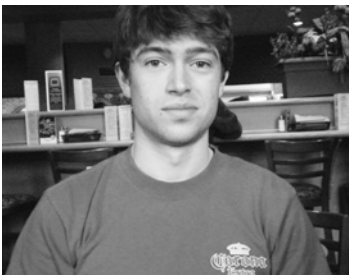
“I don’t think it needed to be shut down, but I don’t really care either way.”

Connie Kelly '12



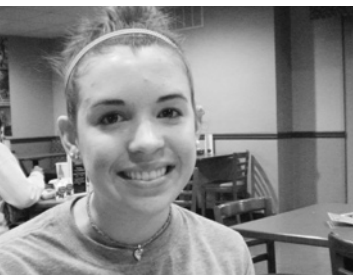
“Maybe I’ll stop writing about Robby Greene so much.”

Brian Kirst '11



“Maybe I’ll stop wondering who keeps writing about me.”

Robby Greene '12



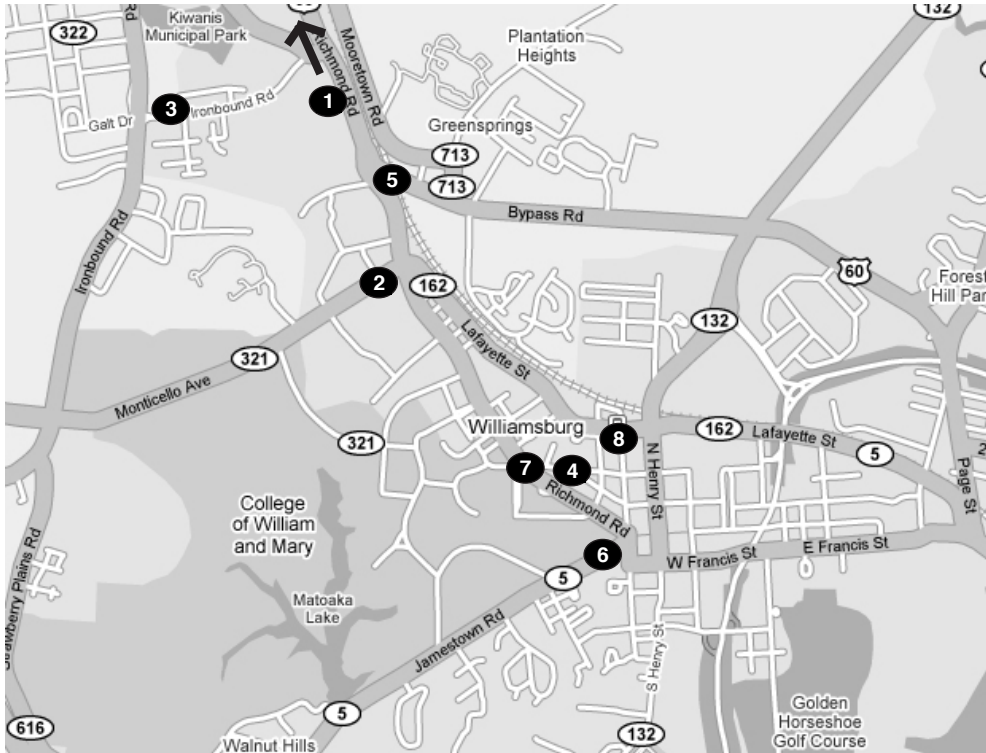
“They opened up a new website for that kind of stuff so it doesn’t make much of a difference anyway.”

Caitlin Kenney '12

— photos and interviews by Bertel King, Jr.

CITY POLICE BEAT

Feb. 2 to Feb. 8



- 1 Monday, Feb. 2 — A 17-year-old female was arrested on the 3000 block of Richmond Rd. for allegedly driving with a suspended license.
2 Tuesday, Feb. 3 — A 26-year-old female was arrested on the 200 block of Monticello Ave. for allegedly driving with a suspended license.
3 — A 23-year-old male was arrested on the

- 1900 block of Richmond Rd. for allegedly driving with a suspended license.
4 Thursday, Feb. 5 — A 29-year-old male was arrested on the 700 block of Scotland St. for allegedly driving while intoxicated.
5 Friday, Feb. 6 — An individual was arrested on the 1400 block of Richmond Rd. for allegedly stealing a generator, air compressor, electric and gas heater, drill gun and impact gun.
6 Saturday, Feb. 7 — A 19-year-old male was arrested on the 100 block of Jamestown Rd. for alleged underage possession of alcohol and public drunkenness.
7 — A 22-year-old male was arrested at the intersection of Scotland St. and Richmond Rd. for allegedly being drunk in public.
8 Sunday, Feb. 8 — A 55-year-old male was arrested at the intersection of Lafayette and N. Boundary St. for allegedly driving with a suspended license.

— compiled by Bertel King, Jr.

City receives ‘StormReady’ certification

Williamsburg becomes first to earn title in the Historic Triangle

By BRYNN KOEPPEN
Flat Hat Staff Writer

The City of Williamsburg is “Storm-Ready.”

StormReady, an official certification given by the National Weather Service, is given to “communities [that] are better prepared to save lives from the onslaught of severe weather through better planning, education and awareness.”

There are currently 1,411 StormReady communities in the United States. In the state of Virginia, Williamsburg is one of only 20 communities and is the first in the Historic Triangle to become StormReady. The city was awarded the title Jan. 8.

In order to become StormReady, a community must participate in a rigorous grass-roots approach to emergency notification systems.

The criteria include the establishment of a 24-hour warning point and emergency operations center, the capacity to relay severe weather warnings to the public in multiple ways, the creation of a system that monitors weather conditions locally, the promotion of public readiness through community seminars, and the development of a formal hazardous weather plan, which includes training severe weather spotters and holding emergency exercises.

City of Williamsburg Fire Chief T.K. “Buz” Weiler made the decision to pursue the StormReady certification after he at-

tended a course on meteorology, followed by a class called SKYWARN.

SKYWARN is a program initiated in the early 1970s to promote a more cooperative effort between the National Weather Service and local communities.

The SKYWARN program enlists the help of “storm spotters” or local community residents to report tornado conditions to emergency services such as the fire or police departments.

“SKYWARN concentrates on reading the warning signs for severe, fast-moving events such as tornadoes. Tornadoes move [in] on a community so quickly that, unless one has a radio turned on, one may not know of it approaching,” Weiler said. “The idea, then, is to be able to read the signs that may indicate a [Tornado] Watch and sound the alert. From this point in my career, I felt I owed it to the community to be able to execute an early warning.”

It took Weiler and city officials over two years to qualify the city. There are now roughly 100 community members classified as members of the Neighborhood Response Team. Members report relevant information such as wind gusts and cloud formations.

To join the Williamsburg NRT, citizens must submit an application and pass a structured training course which culminates in a lengthy exercise that includes a mock structural collapse.

According to Weiler, Williamsburg’s certification process was not harder than any

other StormReady community despite the fact that Williamsburg is a big tourist area and contains that the College of William and Mary.

“If anything, it may have been easier because of the concentration size of the ‘burg,” Weiler said. “In any disaster in Williamsburg, we will attempt to go community wide starting with Colonial Williamsburg and William and Mary because of the concentrations of persons that may be outdoors — tourists, athletes, et cetera — then [move on] to individual neighborhoods.”

Weiler said he pursued the StormReady project because it could receive and distribute information in multiple ways.

“All public and a few private schools have systems to receive our warnings, we can [also] break into station WMBG and send script over TV 48,” Weiler said.

At the College, a similar approach is also used to report emergencies around campus. The College currently has two emergency systems in place — the Emergency Response Plan and the Continuity of Operations Plan.

According to Anna Martin, vice president of the Office of Administration, there is also an emergency notification system and building coordinators for each building.

The city will continue to work closely with the Williamsburg police and fire departments, and mandatory emergency evacuation plans will be required of all students by next year.

College to let applicants choose submitted SAT scores

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situation where we don’t see how many times a student takes the test has no substantive bearing on our process.”

Still, Broaddus explains, implementing Score Choice may withhold contextual information that could be helpful for certain students.

“The great example of that is at a high school where it’s not the norm for students to be bound to four year institutions — where it’s a first generation student

— and maybe the student took the test once and seeing that in conjunction with some other demographic factors might lead an admissions officer to say, ‘maybe this test is a little less representative of the student’s ability to succeed,’” Broaddus said. “Now, what we won’t know is, was this a student who took it once or was this a student who took it several times and that this is the highest? So, I sort of regret not having that information, but not to any degree that we’re willing to require [students to

send all of their scores].”

Of the six options that the College Board gave to the member universities to reflect their stance on Score Choice, Broaddus said the College chose number two, in which it will accept Score Choice but encourages students to send scores from every testdate.

“What we’re saying is, just for the ease of applicants, we would recommend that you go ahead and designate William and Mary as a recipient of your test scores when you sit for the test, and

what we’ll be doing on our side is combining your highest possible [score],” Broaddus said. “If, on the other hand, you are comforted by the ability to take them and then wait and send us those, that certainly is your prerogative and that’s going to be fine, too.”

Score Choice will first be available to students taking the March 2009 SAT. Score Choice will also enable students to choose which SAT II tests, regardless of test-date, to send to colleges.

College may stand to benefit from stimulus package

By **MARY BELLINI**
Flat Hat Staff Writer

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, President Barack Obama's new stimulus package, is the largest economic bailout plan the United States has ever seriously considered — and part of it will be used to support higher education.

In addition to helping the average U.S. citizen, according to economics professors at the College of William and Mary, the act will send ripples throughout the nation's higher education system.

"The fact that [Congress] is trying to defy all history to get something this

large passed this fast is astounding," economics professor Robert Archibald said. "When you're going to make major changes to the tax curve and spending, there's all kinds of special interests that typically slow down the process."

As of press time, the act had passed the House of Representatives and was awaiting a vote from the Senate. A Senate vote may come as early as this Friday.

Archibald, an expert in higher education economics, predicted that Obama's stimulus package could relieve state pressures to cut the College's budget.

"The things that you hear talked about are aid for student loan money that could be useful for [College] students,"

Archibald said. "The other thing that will have impact here is aid for states. That relieves pressure on [our] state budget, and maybe they won't cut [the College's budget] as much as they planned on."

The plan will use expansionary fiscal policy that calls for tax cuts and government spending to stimulate aggregate demand. The goal is to lead the American economy toward full employment.

The exact framework of the package will only be revealed upon passage in the Senate and signing by Obama. This makes it difficult to predict the impacts on higher education.

Some aspects of the bill pertaining to higher education have already been out-

lined. The Pell Grant would be increased to \$5,350 for the next academic year and another \$200 added the year after.

However, Feldman stated that this aspect of the stimulus package would have little effect on the College.

"William and Mary is one of the schools that has the lowest Pell Grant pick-up rate in the nation," Feldman said. "We don't have the kinds of students that would benefit directly from this sort of program, but what it might mean is that we would be able to get more of them."

Feldman also mentioned that income tax credits would be another aspect of the new stimulus package. The money saved would go toward educational expenses.

"In Obama's bill, you can push your taxes into negative. The government hands you a check," he said.

Overall, Feldman said that the Pell Grant boost and the tax credit scholarship would have minimal impact on College students.

In addition, Archibald said that the funds would be most effectively used when invested in campus infrastructure.

"Some of the potential aid is for building projects on [campuses], which is important for lasting effect," Archibald said. "If they give money to build structures and they are around for 40 years, it is much different than paying professor's salaries or student loans."

Chancellor addresses advocates

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the Williamsburg community.

Another question was on how O'Connor's political career began. The Chancellor described the challenges of finding a job as a woman lawyer in the late 1950s, and emphasized the value of taking advantage of every opportunity.

"Be creative," she said, "If you make something out of what you are able to do, you will be noticed."

The final question addressed the issue of partisan redistricting in Virginia.

"States have the power to change this system, but most of them won't," O'Connor said, acknowledging the challenges of changing laws which benefit lawmakers.

Again, she advocated the importance of compromise and patience when lobbying for political change.

Sen. Webb speaks at Charter Day

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honorary doctorate of public service from the College. Others to receive honorary doctorates included Muscarelle Museum founder Gene Lowry, and current director of the Museum of Modern Art, who received an honorary doctorate of arts and John Hope Franklin, a distinguished African American historian, received an honorary doctorate of humane letters while in absentia.

Additionally, outstanding faculty, students and alumni were honored at the ceremony. The Thomas Jefferson award was presented to French professor and Board of Visitors faculty representative Katherine Kulick. Geology professor Rowan Lockwood received the Thomas Jefferson Teaching Award.

Student honorees included Kelly Hallinger '09 who was awarded the TJPNP for her work with the biology department. Devin Oller '09 was presented with the James Monroe Prize in Civic Leadership. He, among other achievements, led service trips to Africa and served as the vice president of the Health Outreach Peer Education program.

Alumni Medallions were presented to Sarah Kemp Brady '64, Lynn Malzer Dillon '75, Henry H. George '65, Harrison R. Tyler '49 and Sunshine Trumbo Williams '44 for their demonstration of the College's ideals of leadership, service and charity.

Students selected for housing panel

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rules in the city and to ultimately [deliver] an optimal solution to the Planning Commission and City Council about how to deal with current occupancy rules," Witkowski said.

Williamsburg has been slow to act and reluctant to discuss amending the housing and zoning laws in the past, Fitzgerald said, echoing others who have criticized the panel for being merely a formality.

"Hopefully we're not there to just screw around, [but] I'm optimistic," Fitzgerald said.

Students will represent a minority of the panel. Several panel members have expressed support for the three-person rule.

"Yes we're outnumbered, but we were put together for a reason," Fitzgerald said. "This issue doesn't have an either-or solution, and hopefully the focus group can find a third option."

Fitzgerald said residents' concerns are not with student neighbors so much as the quality of those neighbors.

"The three-person rule does not directly address the problems residents have with students," he said. "I live in a properly zoned building across the street from the Methodist church ... we've never had a complaint."

Hopkins said the problem lies in the number of student renters.

"I firmly believe that many of the reasons why some residents are so diametrically opposed to changing the rule may be related

to the number of people per house but they are not at the root of the problem," Hopkins said.

The panel's ability to find compromise may be affected by the city lawsuit against students living at 711 Richmond Rd. who allegedly violated the three-person rule.

Zeidler said that she was not sure how the focus group would be affected by the case.

"I think it is one piece of information that may be discussed," Zeidler said. "I'm not going to tell them what to talk about."

Fitzgerald said the incident has been critical in the dispute over the three-person rule.

"It definitely shows us where the city is at," Fitzgerald said.

While the focus group will investigate local housing and zoning issues, it probably will not end the three-person rule.

"I don't think it will be abolished," Fitzgerald said. "My goal would be to find a third option and we go from there."

However, the new dialogue could bring more tolerance between both sides.

"I hope that the focus group will finally come to a conclusive and comprehensive understanding of the true sources of tension," Hopkins said. "I am hoping that the members of this group will convene in the spirit of mutual interest and understanding and that they will be creative and open to new solutions."

The panel begins public meetings next week. A report is expected in May.

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STAFF EDITORIALS

Education in need of stimulation

It’s only a matter of days until President Barack Obama’s massive stimulus package passes out of Congress and on to Americans’ homes, schools and highways (and hospitals, and fisheries, and digital converter boxes ...). While the exact composition of the package remains known only to congressional conference committee members hashing out the compromises, it will no doubt include some money for higher education in its final iteration. But the amount of money is still open for debate. We hope that Congress will make the smart choice to invest in American colleges and universities.

Certainly almost everyone who stands a chance to receive government handouts is making a similar plea right now, but the argument for education spending — especially higher education spending — carries considerably more weight. Without question, additional schooling offers enormous returns on investment, and the stimulus package promises to both improve the quality of American education and increase access to it. Moreover, the College community in particular knows the value of dollars lost and dollars gained. A helping hand from the stimulus could free Virginia from the need to make further, or at least deeper, budget cuts. And considering the current funding woes, treading water really doesn’t sound so bad at all.

In our opinion ...

■ Thanks to the efforts of City of Williamsburg Fire Chief T.K. “Buz” Weiler, the city is now StormReady — meaning, we suppose, that until a month ago, it was StormUnprepared. But no matter. The new certification carries the blessing of the National Weather Service and indicates that the city has implemented an official-sounding, multifaceted disaster-response and warning process. That makes it only one of 20 Virginia communities to do so — although it still lags behind “TsunamiReady” neighbor, Norfolk. Seriously.

At any rate, when hazardous weather looms you can rest assured Williamsburg’s emergency services are trying to reach you on multiple channels. They’ll even interrupt your local

access programming. Yet they still can’t reach you on Facebook (Williamsburg is: Tornadoes. Oh noes!!1). Next tsunami, we’re doomed.

■ The College of William and Mary rarely appears alongside the descriptor “Great Sports School,” but that doesn’t mean that its athletes don’t meet with success. Claire Zimmeck ’09 capped off an incredible soccer season with a draft pick from the Washington Freedom. Overnight, she ascended from grad school candidacy to the top ranks of women’s soccer, and when her season begins, she’ll be playing against world cup contenders. Her success proves that a focus on football and basketball alone ignores some truly top-notch performances.

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International service trips not worth the cost

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FLAT HAT GUEST COLUMNIST



The unconditional moral goodness, or aura of nobility, that currently surrounds international service trips is both wholly unjustified and undesirable.

A prototypical IST costs \$2,000 a head, taking 10 students to build one house for one family over the span of a week in a developing nation. The pessimist wonders why those looking to help don’t just donate the money. If you used the money to pay carpenters in the community, you could build 10 houses within the same time frame as well as inject capital into the village, rather than into airlines and hotels. Most ISTs quickly acknowledge that the trip is not cost-effective on the basis of purely altruistic benefits. In other words, no service trip defends its endeavor by claiming that flying in 10 undergraduates for a week is the most appropriate way to meet the needs of the given community.

I conceive of service trips as existing along a rough continuum, with pure service on one end and what I’ll call poverty tourism on the other. Pure service would be selflessly meeting the most pressing needs of a given community in the most efficient manner, whereas poverty tourism would basically be gawking at poor people. The more egoistic justifications a trip utilizes to justify its costs, the more it shifts away from pure service and toward poverty tourism. The closer a trip gets to poverty tourism, the less inclined we should be to attribute an aura of nobility to it. The most effective cost-justifications tend to be the most egoistic,

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which undermine the image we’d like to preserve.

Now, the first and most commonly offered justification for the cost of a trip is that it motivates and inspires the participants to do more service. Service trips beget more service, the proponent will say — they are life-changing experiences. This common cost-justification can be questioned in many ways. First, the obvious response is that it is completely egoistic in nature. How ironic that a service trip’s primary justification is a motivational boon on the part of its participants? Second, it is not clear that the motivation accrued truly lasts a lifetime. How long, really, will the buzz of the trip hold out once the participant returns to the daily grind of exams, extracurriculars and social activities? Third, it seems rather roundabout to promote local service via international means. Why not engage people in local service directly? Fourth, there are other ways to motivate people — I can rent a DVD from Blockbuster for five dollars with plenty of sorrowful and harrowing images of poverty, which would subsequently motivate me to go out and do service.

If my argument holds, the IST community must accept that ISTs are primarily selfish endeavors. But if this conclusion is unpalatable, what are some outs for the IST community?

I alluded to it at the beginning of this article: If a service trip can provide a benefit to the community, addressing needs that can only be met with the arrival of 10 undergraduates on an annual or semi-annual basis, then the trip is both cost-justified and noble. For instance, if no one else will perform an epidemiological survey in an area ravaged by preventable illnesses and the service trip participants lead the initiative, then they have indeed done a great service. Now, it is up to the IST community to figure out which parts of their trips fit that bill.

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SWAS is merely a distraction from the College’s real problems

Alexander Ely

FLAT HAT CHIEF STAFF WRITER



A lot of questions have been raised about the Sex Workers’ Art Show. Is it educational art or pornography? Does it accomplish its purpose of raising awareness about a sector of society that most folks overlook, or does it simply incite controversy? Was former College of William and Mary President Gene Nichol justified in allowing the show to come to campus?

Is current College President Taylor Reveley also justified in doing so? Should Virginia General Assembly members just shut up and mind their own business? (The answers to these questions, by the way, are in order: art, both, yes, yes and please God yes before I drive up to Richmond and completely lose it.)

But there’s one question that so far nobody has asked: Who cares?

For those of you who have been living under a rock, let me summarize the conflict quickly. In one corner we have student groups — many of whom are part of the campus counter-culture — who see the show as promoting a healthy dialogue on issues of sexuality, class, gender and poverty. They believe that while controversial and provocative, the show is useful and beneficial for the student body. They correctly argue that no one — the state, the College or its president — has a right to censor the content of the show.

On the other side are people who say the show is tasteless — that it undermines the standards of education that the College promotes, and that it invites unnecessary scandal to a school that has experienced more than it could take over the past few years. Last year, they showed up waving signs and heckling the performers.

They believe that the show consists of total perverts, that it is disgusting, and that no argument — based on the First Amendment or any other logic — could justify inviting the performers

to campus. Any idea why these two groups might not get along?

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The problem over the last few years was that each group was more focused

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on insulting and demonizing the other than they were on productively defending their point of view. The tenor of the debate was shameful, and the College suffered as a result.

This year, when the news broke that Reveley would not block the performance, tempers flared again. Within an hour of the story being posted on The Flat Hat’s website, both

sides had taken up arms and raced onto the scene, and the same old culture was back.

Here’s a simple idea: If you are one of the people who is actively supporting the show, great. But is it really necessary to raise extra controversy simply because you can?

On the other side, isn’t there something better to do with your time than bitch and moan about one on-campus event that is sponsored by a variety of groups and has the financial backing of elected student leaders? If you’re really that bored, why not conduct a study on how Virginia has the dumbest state legislators in the nation? That would probably help the College more than showing up to the SWAS and waving a sign.

The fact is there are far more important things facing the student body, and devoting such time to the Sex Workers’ Art Show is dangerous. In the past week alone, we’ve learned that city residents are spying on students by, among other things, recording the cars that are parked at

different houses. More lawsuits and evictions certainly seem possible over the coming months.

On campus, the Dean’s Office and the Office of Student Affairs continue in their onslaught against Greek Life. Perched in their Campus Center penthouses, the enforcers-in-chief seem content to cover the fraternities with a magnifying glass and watch them burn like ants. This semester could see the complete demise of on-campus Greek Life, although that process began long ago.

The College continues to suffer in the midst of an economic crisis that is likely to get worse, and there is a proposal in the Virginia General Assembly that would make the College 80 percent Virginians, assuring that we slip a few more spots in the U.S. News & World Report rankings.

These problems are serious. They affect the livelihood and well-being of large percentages of the student body.

The Sex Workers’ Art Show doesn’t. In fact, it doesn’t really matter at all.

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VARIETY

Lighting up produces flame of fame

Eugenia Hannon '10 gains YouTube following from smoking videos

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If you're looking for YouTube's next sex symbol, you may need only look as far as Eugenia Hannon '10. Over the past six monthss Hannon, whose username is fusswhip, has gathered a following through her "Smoking Smoking" video series on YouTube.

One of Hannon's videos has more than 37,900 views and her YouTube profile page has 1,057 subscribers. According to Hannon, they are mostly male between the ages of 35 and 50. For YouTube standards, where the most popular videos often have millions of subscribers and tens of millions of views, this may seem modest. Until you consider what Hannon actually does in the videos.

She smokes. That's it. "I like smoking a lot," Hannon said. "Over the summer, I smoked a lot. And I really liked it. I liked the way it looks. I like the way it looks on the screen."

Hannon began posting to YouTube last year, but she didn't smoke in those early videos. She kept a video journal under the same username but only talked about her personal life and never expected many to watch. Her first ever video portrays her dancing strangely to a Bollywood movie soundtrack. It has just over 1,000 views.

And then, one night, she lit up. "The first [smoking video] I was actually at home, and I was outside," Hannon said. It was late at night and I was bored and I was just smoking unconsciously. The video didn't have an overwhelming purpose."

But within a week, Hannon said,

the video had hundreds of views, and people kept watching. They subscribed and left comments and requested that Hannon smoke different types of cigarettes. They fell in love with her face and the way she smoked. Her videos became powerful, suggestive and inadvertently sexual.

Hannon's popularity is even more fascinating if you consider the history of sexual suggestiveness in film and video.

In 1930, the Motion Pictures Producers and Distributors Association — known today as the Motion Picture Association of America — adopted an industry-wide list of censorship guidelines that would guide and guard the "morality" of motion pictures brought to the American viewing masses.

What resulted from the censorship act — known as the Hays Code after President of the MPPDA William Harrison Hays — was a strictly detailed and extensive list of restrictions that would, for three decades, alter the ways in which movies were made. Murders could not be shown in detail. Nakedness and suggestive dancing were prohibited. "Scenes of Passion" should be avoided at all costs. If such scenes were necessary, the code said, they should be rendered so as not to "stimulate the lower and baser element." The MPPDA — and much of the country — feared the unalterable and hypnotizing power of the moving image and the licentiousness such images could provoke.

While greatly limiting the images that directors could show on the screen, the Hays Code allowed for a sort of artfulness that, while avoiding direct references to themes as scandalous as sex and violence, gracefully suggested them through

innuendo. One of the masters of this method was film actress Mae West, whose sexually-charged films of the 1930s were often set in bars with many back rooms suggestive of brothels. West transmitted her sexuality through double entendres ("Is that a pistol in your pocket or are you just glad to see me?" she asks a man in the 1936 film, "She Done Him Wrong"), a sauntering gait, or a slowly-smoked cigarette. West's suggestiveness seemed just as powerful — if not moreso — than the real thing because, for one of the first times in film history, it inspired the viewer to imagine, speculate and fantasize.

While YouTube doesn't claim to have the moral imperative of the Hays Code, it does place limits on material similar to that prohibited in 1930. YouTube masks this censoring authority by avoiding the legalize that so dominated the Hays Code. One of its guidelines advises users not to "post bad stuff" like animal abuse, drug abuse, under-age drinking or smoking.

YouTube's primary guideline, however, is its prohibition of sexual content.

"YouTube is not for pornography or sexually explicit content," the site says. "If this describes your video, even if it's a video of yourself, don't post it on YouTube."

But what about sexually implicit content? Does YouTube, like the Hays Code, allow for the same sort of suggestiveness that could indirectly "stimulate a lower or baser element?"

Hannon herself has the looks of a Hollywood debutante from the 1930s. Her cropped hair and round face seem almost vintage, and she places her



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Eugenia Hannon '10, known on YouTube as fusswhip, smokes a cigarette in her bathroom for her online audience. Her "Smoking Smoking" video series features her doing nothing but smoking. The series has earned her exposure on the fetish-video scene.

videos in back room settings — like bathrooms — that incite in the viewer a heightened sense of voyeurism. She talks sparingly throughout her videos and often includes music. But there is very little to the videos themselves. Only the viewers' imaginations, which, considering the hundreds of comments she receives, seem limitless.

"You are by far the best smoker on the net," a user named Cigfetisher01 said in a comment.

"You, smoke Newport 100's good choice, your [sic] starting out right, remember deep, deep inhales, and always chain smoke, your [sic] cute, from a young guy," user sterling4youbabe said.

Hannon realizes that, for most of her viewers, she has become a sex object.

"I realize it's a fetish," she said. But Hannon also said that many of her viewers simply like the non-sexual, platonic intimacy that her videos provide. She said that many of her viewers have enjoyed watching her smoke because she so visibly enjoys it. And in today's media, where smoking itself is as taboo and subject to censorship as sex was in the '30s, it's understandable how it offers some a short thrill. Hannon's YouTube videos, like the Hays Code, is a testament to the power of suggestion

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BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

Cheating: an excusable mistake?

Maya Horowitz

FLAT HAT SEX COLUMNIST



Valentine's Day is coming up and I suppose that means, as the sex columnist, I'm required to speak to it in some way. This day is meant to celebrate committed relationships, but instead I've decided to address those who find themselves unable to stay committed — a Valentine's Day column about cheating. This topic may be a bit of a downer, but I think it fits for this week since only people in exclusive relationships have the burden of dealing with cheating.

Before we dive head first into this topic, let's review what cheating is. Some people have a very strict definition: Fantasizing about someone else or flirting with a potential mate is off-limits. This is a bit harsh, considering 81 percent of women and 86 percent of men admit routinely flirting with the opposite sex.

Others define cheating as engaging in sexual activity. This definition can be as stringent as to include kissing or as loose as to be okay with everything up to sex. Some people are okay with physical contact, but draw the line at emotional connection — the fuck- but-don't-love approach.

Almost everyone, when polled, will answer that cheating (whatever the definition) is wrong. However, these same people will hesitate when asked if they would forgive someone who cheated on them or if they have ever cheated themselves. This is an interesting dichotomy.

People have very strong moral inclinations against adultery, but a great many of them are willing to accept it. Why is that? Perhaps it's because cheating is common in our sexual society.

Statistics to bolster this point are hard to come by. Pollers have to rely on the honesty of their subjects and since cheating has such

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CONFUSION CORNER

The law doesn't always say what it means

Brad Clark

FLAT HAT CONFUSION CORNER COLUMNIST



Sometimes things break down. People don't get along — they misread motives, make poor assumptions, etc. Sometimes people just don't like you for, apparently, no reason at all. It's probably your haircut. Or the fact that you wear sunglasses at night and make wild claims that your dad invented Toaster Strudel. Maybe you wear shorts that leave your whole ass hanging out when you ride the stationary bike at the Rec Center, leaving the poor sod behind you to marvel at the daunting implications — physics-wise — that your ass-jiggling entails while pondering the largest possible distance that can lie between "self" and "awareness" (I mean, really?). Or maybe you make

grammatical mistakes at the beginning of paragraphs. Whatever.

Irregardless, when confronted with such a situation, unless you're a proponent of some sort of "American Beauty"-meets-"Rambo" vigilantism, you have to get on with whatever you were doing in the first place. For the most part, in a small town like Williamsburg, you will see these people again. And again. And sometimes even again.

The funny thing is that most people don't do that. Real life adults — sometimes smart and respectable adults — oftentimes act in ways that would earn a fair amount of corner-watching, had your first grade teacher caught you in flagrante so many years ago. When you see this from the outside, you just want to shake those people and tell them to get along. Sometimes that works (see: Obama vis a vis

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25 Things I hate about this trend

By **ALICE HAHN**
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Boredom can lead to all sorts of things people wouldn't do otherwise: eating an entire package of Oreos, lighting things on fire, spending hours looking up pictures of Chace Crawford. Lately though, boredom has facilitated the widespread Facebook trend 25 Things.

The premise is simple: After you've been tagged, carefully select the 25 most compelling and flattering things about yourself, and then tag 25 of your closest friends. Self-serving? Of course, but what is Facebook about if not the cultivation of the image you present to your friends and semi-friends?

The facts people include on their lists range from

egocentric to mundane. Inherently self-centered, the act of writing such a list elicits so-called interesting facts you often already knew or had no interest in knowing. Many people take full advantage of the opportunity. One girl was able to include references to her wonderful boyfriend, high school MVP status and 10 cruises she's been on.

Drop.

A careful part of the presentation is the idea that it was involuntary. Most everyone who posts 25 Things includes a disclaimer — a sentence, if not a paragraph — about how they never do this type of thing and only succumbed to the pressure of friends.

Obviously, all who have tackled the trend are so exceedingly popular that people just won't stop tagging them.

25 Things about students from the College

1. I was completely pro-life until senior year of high school. I'll just let you guys fret about why. — Ashlee Harris '10

2. I have this overwhleming feeling that if i dont accomplish as much as Alexander the Great did, i have somehow failed in life. — Spencer Sullivan '10

3. I do not nap. Ever. — Katie Clough '12

4. I've dancd and sung onstage at the Kennedy Center. Cappies 2004, The Boy Friend, EHS Theater. — Gabby Brooks '10

5. When I was 2 or 3, I loved cars and my mom would take me to the parking lot to pet tires. — Jack Kamensky '09

6. I have a very unhealthy addiction to Life-savers mints - typically WintOGreen, but occasionally PepOMint or Sweet Mint just to keep things fresh. I've gone through an entire bag in a day before... — Joe Kessler '10

7. I feel bad about how much I enjoy cuss words. Saying fuck is REALLY fun. I also take issue with what people deem "appropriate" in society. — Ginny Burk '10

8. The earliest memory I have is the day my brother was born. My mom had spoken to her doctor on the phone and told me she had to go to the hospital to have my brother. My first reaction? "Can I please finish my yogurt first?" — Alexa Hoyne '10

9. I wrote my college essay for William and Mary about peeing my pants. Really I did. Though I've been clean for going on 9 months. Yay running! — Caitlin Kenney '12

10. In winter, the first things I put on when I get out of the shower are socks haha... — Alsoon Anvari '12

11. World of Warcraft and I are in a love/hate relationship. I hate that it wastes all of my time, but I love playing with my (RL) friends. — Mike Erickson '10

12. I am that girl who will give you the death stare if you talk on the third floor of Swem, don't let that person be you. — Danielle Bourget '09

13. When I was a kid i was convinced there were elves living in the goldenrod bush behind my neighbor's house and I used to build them little houses out of twigs. — Amy Dorsey '09

14. I hate/strongly dislike the color pink. When I joined Phi Mu, I seriously considered petitioning to the national headquarters to get them to change their colors. — Stephanie Driggers '10

15. I've never ridden a motorcycle, even though my dad has owned one for almost ten years. — Monica Duggan '09

16. I am addicted to The New York Times. It's my crack. Don't take it away from me. — Kate Afanasyeva '09

17. I really want to go to Disney World. My favorite place is Magic Kingdom. — Ashley Nguyen '10

18. I am extremely easily amused. I do a lot of giggling. There are these trees on campus that look like their from The Lion King, and every time I walk past them I imagine the

movie and start singing. — Katherine James '12

19. I don't plan on ever taking my husbands last name. I mean, how could it be cooler than the one I have now? Answer: it can't be. — Liz Pedraja '09

20. I love the muffins at the Daily Grind! If you had not tried them you are missing out. — Hannah Thornton '10

21. The strangest pet I've ever had was a crayfish named Scooter. He lived for about a year and a half (between 2nd and 3rd grades). He lived in the bathtub. — Mallory Johnson '10

22. I cry at movies, especially ones that involve changes over time. I tear up constantly during "Bicentennial Man". Hell, I even found myself getting a bit watery during "Click" (same time theme). Call me a woman if you must but never doubt that it took some balls to admit that. — Ryan Uyebara '10

23. When I am listening to the radio in my car the volume number has to be even or evenly divisible by the number 5. — Abigail Lemon '09

24. Heavy construction equipment fascinates me. When they were building the ISC I would sit in the lounge and watch the different machines working for long stretches of time. — Jim Dunleavy '10

25. Besides the Black Plague and how gross the reality of Medieval times were, I think it would have been really cool to live during them. Obviously as like a higher end of society or whatnot. — Briana Calhoun '10

Outcomes, definitions of cheating differ

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a large stigma, people often lie. The Associated Press says that 22 percent of men and 14 percent of women have admitted to extramarital relations. However, the Journal of Couple & Relationship Therapy suggests that these numbers are completely off, and that the truth is that 50 to 60 percent of married men and 45 to 55 percent of married women have cheated.

Cheating is American sexual culture's dirty little secret. We like to pretend it's not happening and ignore it until we're forced to face it. We love to take the moral highground and act shocked, awed and indignant when we find out someone has cheated. But it's all a facade. People in loving relationships consider cheating all the time. And it's not a black-and-white situation. There are good — or at least understandable — reasons to cheat.

Obviously, the best solution if you want to cheat is to break up with your significant other first. But this doesn't happen all the

time. People like to have their cake and eat it too. Or they just don't put any thought into what they're doing — maybe they drunkenly impale themselves on the nearest penis. Regardless of the reason, or how well or poorly, the cheater handles the situation, sex happens.

So how can a relationship move on after this kind of incident? As with all things sexual, the solution must be catered to the specific circumstances. There's a huge difference between an inebriated embrace that goes a little too far and seeing someone else on a regular basis. Yet the underlying problem remains the same: loss of trust. Jealousy is a difficult emotion to control even when there is no evidence of cheating. Bring an actual incident into the picture and you've got a potentially unhealthy situation on your hands.

I think that cheating is not as big of a deal as we make it out to be. It is a largely unaddressed issue in our sexual lives. Most people feel very strongly about it, but their

opinions may not have solid footing. With cheating as prevalent as it is, is it really practical to take a hard line on it? I am not implying that just because it's prevalent we should accept it as good, but I think that it's something we need to talk more about and hide less.

I speak from the perspective of someone who has never cheated nor ever been cheated on. But, theoretically, I believe that cheaters can still be good and faithful partners in the future. Look at it this way: No one likes the idea of dog poop on his or her carpet, but if you're buying a puppy, you can expect to have a little present in the living room every once in a while. If we take this attitude toward cheating — that it is a forgivable, if undesirable, element in many relationships — maybe we can condition ourselves to maintain trust, even if there are one or two digressions.

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CAPSULE REVIEWS

IT'S NOT ME. IT'S YOU LILY ALLEN

"Why can't we all just be honest?" A simple and straightforward question contemptuous British pop singer Lily Allen asked and looked to answer on her sophomore album, "It's Not Me, It's You." Notorious for her brusque lyrics and vapory lilts, Allen returns to spread more British humor with glares of brash commentary on celebrity falsities and drug-poppers, amidst relationship quips. With sugary confections, she can politely tell you to fuck off, as in her song, "Fuck You" — another middle finger, or figurative "shoe," thrown at Bush's face.

Though the new album gives cheating boyfriends and raunchy, lewd cities from her previous album, "Alright, Still," a backseat to her addictive pop songs, the cynical yet inquisitive tempest is always present. Her first single, "The Fear," points to a light and quirky pop ditty filled with Hollywood scrutiny and drawbacks of distorted perceptions. "I am a weapon of massive consumption / It's not my fault, it's how I'm programmed to function."

Allen bashfully pipes and coos on each track, complimented with daring, foul-mouthed lyricism and new instrumentation, thanks to producer



and member of The Bird and the Bee, Greg Kurstin. Kurstin reinvents Allen's sound with bright, organic melodies ("22," "Who'd Have Known"), curvy, rapid beats ("Everyone's At It," "Back To The Start") and short, accordion snaps ("Never Gonna Happen"), with less variety and experimentation of other genres. In the midst of her media blunders and personal tragedy, a miscarriage. Allen completes an electro-pop album with modern twists and attentive instruction. Always the outspoken songstress, Allen's album allows her to pack lasting provocations dripping with charm and smiles that carry more venom than candy.

— by Genice Phillips
★★★★☆

THE FRAY THE FRAY

After scoring serious exposure on the soundtrack to "Grey's Anatomy" back in 2005, The Fray has since captivated a large fanbase with their repertoire of piano-laden pop-rock tunes. On their self-titled second album, the alternative quartet adopts the same approach resulting in a sound and style nearly identical to their debut set,



tracks, however, exhibit the band's unwillingness to step away from predictable, underwhelming lyrics and presentation. After listening to the album's radio-friendly first single "You Found Me," it can be hard to distinguish one song from the next.

A careful listen reveals a slight attempt by the group to be less soft on this record; the result is a mix of hits and misses. "Ungodly Hour" creates a more intimate sound by using less production than most songs in the album but, like a few others, seems to carry on just a little too long. Still, the soft instrumentation gives frontman Isaac Slade the opportunity to serve up a rich vocal performance. In contrast, heavy percussion and a grittier guitar presence takes a rare precedence over the piano in "We Build Then Break." Here and elsewhere, Slade gives a rather strong delivery, but occasionally falls into a phlegm-filled whine that can detract from his otherwise appealing vocals. While it is refreshing to hear the band experimenting, albeit sparingly, with its sound, it is the glaring mimicry of their first album that makes this sophomore effort seem considerably bland. Nevertheless, the traces of musical maturation "The Fray" sporadically unveils bode well for their future material.

— by Tim Heck
★★★★☆

Student earns fanbase for smoking habit

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and innuendo that, while veiling sexual desire, is just as apt at transmitting it to the gazing viewer.

Hannon also said that, while her videos are suggestive to some, to others they are heavily

nostalgic.

"Some people have told me that my videos remind them of their mothers from the '30s and '40s, back when it was much more acceptable for people to smoke," Hannon said.

Hannon does not smoke as much as she used to, but she has

been offered payment to appear on a smoking fetish website, which she has turned down because, she said, it was too close to pornography. She may, however, create a pay-subscription website that would allow users to watch her smoking.

She has yet to try a cigar.



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Eugenia Hannon '10 films videos in her bathroom, which have developed a following.

Laws should not be one-size fits all

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Democrats and Republicans. I hope.), sometimes it doesn't (see: Israel-Palestine).

In the case of 711 Richmond Rd., I have sympathy for both the residents and the lago-sounding professor. (And no, you can't escape this issue, even if you turn to the Variety section. Tune in next week when The Flat Hat blames men's basketball's loss at James Madison University on the three-person rule.) People want to live their own lives — something Americans generally support for their fellow citizens, so long as it doesn't interfere with their own individual ability to do so. This is why we have all kinds of neat things like laws that say you have to pick up your dog's poop and that prohibit other things like public masturbation. In this case, however, the actions of both parties are kind of understandable — even if the professor's actions have a certain "Scooby Doo"-villain ring to them. The students wanted to party; the professor wanted to sleep. Ok, fine. There should probably be some sort of compromise there, law-wise. But do we have that? No, instead we have the three-person rule. A broken system fostered this broken relationship.

We know that the rule exists nowadays to

keep the College of William and Mary party scene (oxymoron?) out of the surrounding neighborhoods. We know this because Clyde Haulman accused students of vomiting on bushes, having sex on cars, killing neighborhood animals, and all sorts of things so vile that I hesitate to mention them in a public forum. This makes the current law the equivalent to your girlfriend telling you to "please put the toilet seat down" when she really wants you to cancel your subscription to Playboy, book Valentine's Day reservations and get a god damn haircut already. One thing has nothing to do with the other. And there's still no promise that you'll remember to put the toilet seat down.

The solution? Probably some sort of compromise that addresses the actual issues involved. What would that look like? I don't know; maybe strict enforcement of the noise ordinances after 1 a.m., the creation of a special student housing zone in the city or a new sex-on-cars division in the City of Williamsburg police department. (Do I smell a new "Law & Order?"). I do know that the only way to solve a problem is to be honest about what it actually is. Even if that means coming to the painful realization that your shorts from high school don't fit anymore.

Brad Clark is a Confusion Corner columnist. He still blames Jewel for costing him the race.

What's on TV?

SOCCER
USA vs. Mexico
— 7 p.m. Wednesday on ESPN2
COLLEGE BASKETBALL
#6 Duke vs. #3 UNC
— 9 p.m. Wednesday on ESPN



Sound bytes

"I wanted to prove to everyone that I was worth being one of the great-est players of all time. I did take a banned substance and for that I am very sorry and deeply regretful."
— Alex Rodriguez on the revelation that he tested positive for steroids in 2003.



By the numbers

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Home losses this season by the Eastern Conference-leading Cleveland Cavaliers after a 101-91 home defeat to the Los Angeles Lakers Sunday.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

College shuts down Wisconsin, moves to 2-2

Tribe downs Badgers behind strong singles performances from Acharya, Zoricic

By CHRIS WEIDMAN
Flat Hat Assoc. Sports Editor

No. 24 TRIBE 5, No. 68 WISCONSIN 2

For the second time in two weeks, the 24th-ranked College of William and Mary (2-2) rebounded from dropping the doubles point to regain form in the singles competition for another come from behind victory.
The Tribe handed no. 68 University of Wisconsin (2-3) their third loss of the season in Sunday afternoon's 5-2 decision at the McCormack-Nagelsen Tennis Center.
"We have experience [and] seniority in the top three," Head Coach Meredith Geiger-Walton said. "They know what Tribe tennis should be at in terms of the level, and they know what they are capable of. So when it comes down to it, they can carry the weight and rise to the occasion and get the job done."
"Obviously getting the victory always feels good.

We shouldn't have lost the doubles point. We lost to defensive teams, which means that our offense was not as strong as it should have been."
95th-ranked senior Kat Zoricic, who plays no. 1 singles for the Tribe, regrouped after a shaky doubles game to secure the fourth and deciding point for the College in her 6-2, 6-3 triumph over the Badgers's Elizabeth Carpenter. Zoricic emerged from the break with a renewed passion and focus that Carpenter could not match.
"Doubles is something we have all been working on and working through all the frustrations [associated with] playing with new partners," Zoricic said. "I think all of us are feeling a little more comfortable with our singles, so I don't think it was ever out of question that we could win all of our singles matches."
No. 79 junior Ragini Acharya handled Wisconsin's Emese Kardhorao 6-1, 6-1 in the fastest contest, while teammate senior Klaudyna Kasztelaniec improved her spring singles record to 3-1, finishing

with a 6-3, 6-2 victory.
On the fourth court, Tribe junior Carmen Pop fought back from an early 4-1 deficit to surge back for a 6-4, 6-3 win. Pop's doubles partner, freshman Katie Kargl, captured the final victory for the College in a 7-6, 0-6, 10-8 showing.
Pop and Kargl combined for the Tribe's only doubles victory, making fast work of their opponents after working an early break to their advantage.
Despite being up 6-4, the College's no. 2 doubles team of senior Barbara Zidek and Kasztelaniec could not finish off the Badgers duo of Aleksandra Markovic and Jessica Seyferth, losing the set in a 7-3 tiebreaker and allowing Wisconsin to secure the doubles point.
The 37th-ranked team of Acharya and Zoricic struggled to find their groove losing to an unranked Badgers squad, 8-3.
The Tribe returns to action at the University of Maryland Feb. 18.



WILLIAM SENDOR — THE FLAT HAT
Senior Klaudyna Kasztelaniec

Zimmeck earns spot in new pro soccer league



JACK HOHMAN — THE FLAT HAT
Senior forward Claire Zimmeck was drafted 63rd overall by the Washington Freedom in the WPS draft Jan. 16th.

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conceivable honor, leading her squad to four straight NCAA Tournament appearances and finishing third all-time in career goals.
Until early December, Zimmeck was enjoying the remainder of her senior year, preparing to graduate in the spring and worrying about being accepted to graduate school.
"I didn't know [I had a chance at playing professionally] until I got an invite for the combine," she said. "Everyone who was going into the combine had no idea whether they would get drafted or not, but the opportunity came and I just tried as hard as I could."
Held in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., the draft combine gave WPS coaches and scouts an advance look at players under consideration, with the event drawing many of the best amateur and professional players in the country. There, Zimmeck mixed with 71 other athletes all aiming for a coveted draft slot, while 72 additional players competed at an identical event in California.
"It was nice because I had a good group of girls, and we bonded really quickly," Zimmeck said. "They split us up into four teams. We were the only team that won games, and I made some good friends so it was a good experience."
Emerging from that event, Zimmeck felt confident in her performance. But faced with the long odds of ending up on a WPS roster, she was far from certain of her chances.
"I still had no clue," she said. "All the WPS coaches were there, but [the players] were all in the dark."
All that changed when Washington Freedom

Head Coach Jim Gabarra selected her with the final pick in the ninth round of the league's draft. With the selection in her back pocket, graduate school was suddenly out of the picture.
Now, instead of grinding through essays and biology homework, Zimmeck is training locally five days a week in anticipation of the March 1 start of the Freedom's preseason.
"I usually have three months to prepare for the fall [college] season and only one month for this," Zimmeck said. "You have to be in shape for any team you go on, and I try to be in the best shape I can. For this, there's more on the line."
The stakes will be high. In less than a month, the agile forward, who had little trouble zigzagging through CAA defenders, will instead be taking the field with such legendary players as U.S. National Team standouts Abby Wambach and Cat Whitehill. In daily practice, Zimmeck will have to find a way to fire shots past goalkeeper Briana Scurry — a two-time Olympic gold medalist and World Cup champion.
"She'll be a little intimidating. She's got a lot of experience, and, [after] seeing her play against China in the World Cup, she's a great player," Zimmeck said. "All the players have a great level of experience and they play at a high level. I'm going to be honored to play with them and excited to learn."
The competition will certainly not be easy, but for now, Zimmeck is excited to be playing a short distance from her home and prepared to begin working toward earning a spot in the Freedom lineup.
"I have to go in and prove myself," she said. "Everything is up in the air, so we'll see what happens."

Tribe struggles in road contest at VCU

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and committed five turnovers, helping to fuel the Rams' offensive eruption. VCU guard Eric Maynor, who scored a game-high 13 points and dished out 7 assists, finished off the run with two free throws after Tribe Head Coach Tony Shaver received a technical foul for arguing with an official over a call.
VCU extended its lead to as many as 25 points in the second half, continuing to carve up the Tribe's defense and disrupt the College's offense with its pressure.
"Their speed is phenomenal," Shaver said. "We just don't have it on the floor. Really, position-by-position their speed was very disruptive all night long."
VCU's 11 steals were its second-highest total in conference play.
Junior guard David Schneider was the only Tribe player to score in double figures with 11 points.
The College returns to action tomorrow when it hosts the University of North Carolina-Wilmington at 7 p.m. in Kaplan Arena. The Tribe defeated the Seahawks 73-59 on the road in the teams' first meeting Jan. 7.



JOHN QUINN — THE FLAT HAT
Junior guard Sean McCurdy (pictured here playing against VCU Dec. 6) scored two points Saturday at the Rams.

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

CROSS COUNTRY

Moran '03, Newberry '00
qualify for World XCs

College of William and Mary Head Coach, Kathy Newberry '00, earned third at the USA Cross Country Championships in Derwood, Md., Saturday. Newberry, competing in the open women's 8-km race, finished in 27:40. Meanwhile, Tribe cross country and track and field Assistant Coach Ed Moran '03 placed fifth in the open men's 12-km event, running 36:18. Both Moran and Newberry will represent the United States at the IAAF World Cross Country Championships March 28 in Amman, Jordan.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Tribe runs out of gas in
overtime at Drexel

The College of William and Mary (11-11, 4-7 CAA) led conference-leading Drexel University (14-8, 9-2 CAA) by five with 1:37 remaining in overtime, but could not seal the victory in a 76-74 loss Sunday afternoon in Philadelphia. Freshman guard Taysha Pye finished with a team-high 18 points, but missed two shots down the stretch, presenting Drexel with an opportunity to come back in overtime. Marisa Crane's jumper in the lane with two seconds left won the game for the Dragons.

SWIMMING AND DIVING

East Carolina sweeps past
Tribe on senior day

The College of William and Mary men's and women's teams fell to East Carolina University Saturday on the Tribe's senior day. Junior Katie Radloff continued her strong season, winning three events, and freshman Hailey Hewitt tied Radloff's single-season victory mark at 27 after she won the 200-yard backstroke. But the Pirates prevailed 163-137. On the men's side, senior Shawn Matthews won the 200-yd backstroke. Junior Kevin Gallagher (200-yd freestyle) and sophomore Andrew Quesenberry (25-yd freestyle) were the team's other individual winners in the College's 189.5-106.5 loss to ECU.

TRACK AND FIELD

Shriver earns IC4A qualifier
in high jump at CNU

College of William and Mary senior high jumper Cameron Shriver cleared 6'8.25" to qualify for the IC4A Championships. Shriver is the defending IC4A high jump champion. On the track, junior Cabell Rosanelli won the mile in 4:16.54. For the women, junior Kayley Byrne (mile), senior Ashley Madonick (800-meter), sophomore Emily Jeremiah (pole vault) and junior Ashley Williams (weight throw) won their respective events.

— By Andrew Pike

SCOREBOARD

MEN'S TENNIS

2/7 @ No. 21 Wake Forest
— L, 6-1
2/8 @ No. 3 Georgia — L, 6-1

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2/9 @ Penn State Quad Meet —
3rd-place out of 4

SCHEDULE

Wed., Feb. 11

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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MEN'S TENNIS

@ Maryland — College Park,
Md. — 3 p.m.

WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS

@ Delaware — Newark, Del. —
7 p.m.

SPORTS FEATURE

Graduating to the pros

Zimmeck joins new
women's soccer
franchise in D.C.

By MATT POMS
Flat Hat Assoc. Sports Editor

On the final Friday of winter break, College of William and Mary senior forward Claire Zimmeck sat glued to her computer monitor, anxiously hitting the refresh button while watching a steady succession of names scroll across the screen in front of her.

The date was Jan. 16, and the three-time All-American was hoping for her own name to appear among the 70 slots in the inaugural draft of the newly formed Women's Professional Soccer league.

For Zimmeck, the day represented the climactic moment of a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

"I was just waiting, basically everything was on the line," Zimmeck said. "I was going to apply to grad school if it didn't work out, so I was just waiting until Jan. 16 to see what would happen."

For hours, the Fairfax native intensely surveyed the selections, each passing pick inching her farther from the realization of a professional soccer career. Finally, with eight slots remaining, she saw what she had been waiting for — Zimmeck had been drafted by her hometown team the Washington Freedom.

"I had no idea [if I was going to be drafted]. It took a long time, and I was really nervous," she said. "Right afterwards, one of the assistant coaches called me. I was pretty excited."

The selection capped a remarkable collegiate career for the three-time All-American. During her four years at the College, Zimmeck racked up nearly every

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JACK HOHMAN — THE FLAT HAT

The Washington Freedom, a team in the new Women's Professional Soccer league, drafted senior forward Claire Zimmeck in its Jan. 16 draft.



Women's Professional Soccer — By the numbers

7

Teams in the league
for the 2009 season

20

League games each team
will play in the first season

2.5

Million dollar operating
budget for each team

7

Washington Freedom games
on Fox Soccer Channel

MEN'S BASKETBALL

VCU blows out Tribe

College's turnovers give Rams plenty of easy baskets

By ANDREW PIKE
Flat Hat Sports Editor

TRIBE 54, VCU 76

Just over two minutes into the game against Virginia Commonwealth University Saturday, the College of William and Mary was down 9-1. It only got uglier from there.

"I thought on Wednesday night against a really fine Northeastern team, we held our composure extremely well and really executed our stuff," Head Coach Tony Shaver said on the Tribe Radio postgame show. "Tonight, we didn't have composure from the first 30 seconds of the game to the very end. They forced us into a tempo we can't play right now."

The end result — a 76-54 thrashing at the hands of the Rams (17-7, 10-3 CAA) — featured 19 Tribe turnovers (due in large part to VCU's aggressive fullcourt pressure) and a 55 percent shooting effort from VCU. Those two ingredi-

ents combined to create a disastrous recipe for the College (6-17, 2-11 CAA) Saturday night in Richmond.

The Rams scored 25 points off the Tribe's 19 turnovers and consistently found holes in the College's defense for easy shots.

"I thought their defense was exceptional tonight," Shaver said. "It really unnerved our guys and we just never could regain our composure. We just couldn't get things going our way."

After starting the game on a quick 9-1 run, the Rams struggled for a few minutes as the Tribe cut into the lead, eventually getting within 13-8 on senior forward Chris Darnell's three-pointer. But that's as close as the College would get.

A jumper from Ed Nixon started a 21-5 VCU run, which put the Rams up 34-13 with 3:29 remaining in the first half. During the spurt, which ran for 9:02, the Tribe hit just 3 of 10 shots

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COURTESY PHOTO — VCU ATHLETICS

Freshman forward Quinn McDowell and senior forward Peter Stein watch as VCU's Larry Sanders finishes an alley-oop in the Tribe's 76-54 loss Saturday.

MEN'S GYMNASTICS

College finds form in easy victory over JMU

By JACK POLLOCK
Flat Hat Staff Writer

TRIBE 335.65, JMU 285.55

The 13th-ranked College of William and Mary (4-1) set season bests in five of six events en route to dominating James Madison University Sunday afternoon at Kaplan Arena. The Tribe's impressive 335.65-point total easily surpassed the Dukes' 285.55, proving that the College has enough talent to be a major threat this season.

Junior Derek Gyga solidified his spot as a team leader with wins on high bar and a runner-up finish on rings.

The College showcased its tremendous depth with a number of great performances in each event, especially on floor exercise.

Sophomore Andy Hunter earned a strong second-place mark of 14.25 in the

first event with a clean, solid routine before senior James Prim posted a 14.4 to take the event. Junior Josh Fried and Gyga also performed well, receiving scores of 14.1 and 14.05, respectively.

Prim put together standout performances on pommel horse and rings. His score of 14.45 earned him the win after executing a difficult routine to near perfection. Prim continued his strong effort on the rings with a 14.45, good for another first-place finish. His effort propelled the College to a season-high 55.15 total in the event.

"Our first three competitors on pommel horse stepped up and nailed their routine, which really set the tone for the rest of the meet," Head Coach Cliff Gauthier said.

The Tribe fared well on the vault as well, with sophomore Chris Valeska leading the way. Valeska stuck his landing

after an explosive vault to earn a career-best 14.95, edging Fried's score of 14.90. Senior Jay Hilbun rounded out the trio with a solid 14.60.

After a good run on the parallel bars, the College had its most extraordinary showing on the high bar as the team beat its previous high score by almost seven points. Hilbun and Gyga set the tone with identical scores of 14.45 to tie for first, while senior Sloan Crawford placed third with a 14.15. All five Tribe competitors in the high bar set season-high scores.

"It's great to see us perform well as a team like we did today and make big strides since our first meet," Valeska said. "But we still have a lot of room left for improvement."

The College has the rest of the week to prepare for its road trip to no. 12 Temple University Saturday.



MARAL NOORI-MOGHADDAM — THE FLAT HAT
Sophomore Andy Hunter